BERLIN Twp. NJ (CBS) – The NJ Department of Health has informed the Camden County Health Department that a skunk removed from a yard in Berlin Township has tested positive for rabies. Officials say on July 24, the skunk entered the yard and made contact with the family dog. An animal control officer picked up the skunk and arranged for rabies testing. The Camden County Health Department was informed on August 27 that the animal was rabid, officials say.

The dog is current with its rabies vaccination and received a rabies booster shot. “Although rabies is a serious illness, it can be prevented by early treatment,” said Freeholder Carmen Rodriguez, liaison to the Camden County Health Department. “If you have been bitten or scratched by a wild animal it is important that you seek immediate medical attention.”

For more information resident can call the Camden County Department of Health and Human Services at 856-374-6370 or visit cdc.gov/ncidod/dvrd/rabies/

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